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Patent application of: **Kendall H. Fung, David G. Dalton and Robert W. Warren**

for **USING DATA COMPRESSION TO ACHIEVE LOWER LINEAR BIT DENSITIES ON A STORAGE MEDIUM**, the specification of which is being transmitted herewith.

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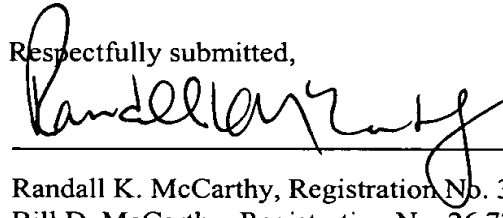
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